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1. [REDACTED] William Lewis, Administrative Assistant to Senator Margaret Chase Smith, visited the Agency for several hours and was given a general briefing on the Agency's mission and role. This was done by John S. Warner. After he lunched with Colonel White, he was then afforded a briefing of the Commo center and the Operations center. I also delivered to him, to show to the Senator, a copy of Mr. Wattles' memorandum of 3 May 1967 on the [REDACTED] case.

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2. [REDACTED] Talked to Jim Hyde, Bureau of the Budget, to state that the latest version of the Fulbright amendment did not change the original Agency position, i.e., while it is badly worded, we would not insert objections to the thrust of the language.

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3. [REDACTED] Talked with Bob Brandt, House Foreign Affairs Committee staff, advising him that the Director thought it would be more appropriate for the Selden Subcommittee to look to the State Department in terms of a formal briefing. Brandt inquired if we could handle this on an informal basis with the Selden group visiting the Agency as was done in the past. Subsequently, Brandt called and indicated that the Seldon group would like to come out to the Agency about ten o'clock on Friday, 12 May 1967. Previously, the Director had said he would approve the informal arrangements.

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4. [REDACTED] Met with Mr. John R. Blandford, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and gave him Copy 1 of "Comparison of the Capabilities, Performance, Countermeasures Systems and Operational Status of the A-12 and S-71" together with a copy of the three page DCI briefing note for the Rivers Subcommittee dated 1 May. After reviewing Mr. Blandford advised that arrangements would be made as soon as possible to meet with Senator Russell on this matter in keeping with Chairman Rivers' statement during the briefing of 4 May.

I extended an invitation to Mr. Blandford to speak before the Mid-Career course at its windup session 18 May here at the Headquarters. Due to the press of other commitments, Mr. Blandford was forced to decline but suggested that we might consider inviting Mr. Philip Kelleher.

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5. [redacted] In response to his call to Mr. Warner, stopped by to see David Niklaus, Assistant to Senator Kuchel, regarding constituent correspondence relating to Peace Council of the German Democratic Republic. Mr. Niklaus was tied up in an extended meeting. An open appointment to see him during the day tomorrow was scheduled.

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6. [redacted] As a follow-up to the telephone reference from Leo Irvin, Chief Counsel, House Committee on Ways & Means, of yesterday afternoon, received a call from Mr. Marshall Soghoian, of Richmond, Virginia. Mr. Soghoian is on his way to New York City and expects to be returning to the Washington area Wednesday or Thursday and will call on his return. Mr. Soghoian is reputed to have developed a surveillance device relating to telephones or telephone circuits which is nondetectable. Arrangements have been made with the Office of Communications for an Agency representative to meet with Mr. Soghoian probably at his hotel room after his arrival in the city. Arrangements were also being made by Mr. Irvin for the individual to meet with FBI representatives.

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7. [redacted] Made arrangements with the House Armed Services staff officers for Pat Conger and John McComb to visit the Subcommittee hearing room, 2212 Rayburn Building, in preparation for Thursday morning's briefing.

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8. [redacted] Miss Carol Blades, in the Office of Congressman Charles Vanik (D., Ohio), called to explain that they had mislaid their copies of the FBIS daily reports covering the period 26 March through 8 May. I advised Miss Blades that we would be happy to supply these issues if they are available. FBIS will advise us if any copies are missing from the set they will be forwarding.

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